cooked food of minimum 300 calories with 8-12 grams of protein is being provided as nutritional support to children studying at Primary stage in Government, Government aided, Local body schools and EGS/AIE centres in the country. Cooked food is being given even during summer vacation in drought affected areas. There are reports of positive impact of the scheme on enrolment and attendance of children.

States are being constantly exhorted to make all possible efforts to ensure mid-day meal of proper hygiene and nutrition.

IIMs in other countries

2158. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to allow Indian Institute of Management to be set up in other countries; and

(b) whether the IIMs in the country have been asked by his Ministry to come up with the common vision document?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs) are governed by their respective Memorandum of Association (MOA). At present the MOAs of IIMs do not empower them to establish campuses abroad. The Institutes will have to suitable amend their MOAs, as per prescribed procedure, before taking further action to establish overseas campus.

(b) Government have advised IIMs that it would be useful to have a Common Vision document outlining the programme of all IIMs for the 11th Five Year Plan.

Monitoring of SSA

2159. SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY:
SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry has put in place a mechanism

for strict monitoring of the results of Sarva Shiksha Schools with a view to address its problems;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the position of Orissa under this project and the action plan of Government to help the State Government improve the infrastructure facilities in the State *i.e.* drinking water, toilets, playgrounds and to provide financial support alongwith timely availability of books etc.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (b) A Quarterly Monitoring System has been in place to review progress of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, notably in terms of school infrastructure, alternative schooling, girls education, training of teachers and inclusive education. In addition, 41 monitoring institutions report their observations on implementation of the programme in the field.

(c) Under SSA, 5420 school building, 8641 additional classrooms, 7030 drinking water facilites and 9746 toilets have been taken up in Orissa. A financial allocation of Rs. 26.81 crores for distribution of free text books to 31.53 lakh students was approved for 2005-06.

Education to dropouts

2160. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE:
SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Supreme Court of India has recently ruled that it was obligatory on the part of the Government to provide education to school dropouts and help the elimination of child labour;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken to prepare a road map to give effect to the directive of the Court?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (c) The Supreme Court has recently admitted a Public Interest Litigation, that